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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Re: Application of: John N. STANIFORTH, *et al.*

Serial No.: 10/015,538

Filed: December 13, 2001

For: **A PROCESS FOR PREPARING A DIRECTLY
COMPRESSIBLE SOLID DOSAGE FORM
CONTAINING MICROCRYSTALLINE
CELLULOSE**

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

June 17, 2003

I. INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed December 17, 2002, Applicants respectfully submit the following Amendment.

A check in the amount of \$1092.00 is enclosed, \$930.00 of which covers the fee due for a three-month extension of time, and \$162.00 of which covers the fee due for claims in excess of twenty. If it is determined that additional fee(s) are due or that any fee has been overpaid, the Commissioner for Patents is hereby authorized to charge said fee(s) or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.

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ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS
Washington, DC 20231

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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Amendment in the above-identified application.

- Small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been previously established.
- Applicants assert small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27.
- No fee for additional claims is required.
- A filing fee for additional claims calculated as shown below, is required:

(Col. 1)	(Col. 2)		SMALL ENTITY		OR	LARGE ENTITY	
	FOR:	REMAINING	HIGHEST	PRESENT		RATE	Fee
	AFTER		PREVIOUSLY	PRESENT			
				EXTRA			
TOTAL CLAIMS	29	Minus 20	=	9	x \$ 9	\$	
INDEP. CLAIMS	2	Minus 3	=	0	x \$ 42	\$	
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					TOTAL: \$		
					OR	TOTAL: \$ 162	

- * If the entry in Co. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3.
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- Also transmitted herewith are:
 - Petition for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
 - Other:
- Check(s) in the amount of \$1092.00 is/are attached to cover:
 - Filing fee for additional claims under 37 C.F.R. 1.16
 - Petition fee for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136
 - Other:
- The Assistant Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0552.
 - Any filing fee under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 for the presentation of additional claims which are not paid by check submitted herewith.
 - Any patent application processing fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.17.
 - Any petition fees for extension under 37 C.F.R. 1.136 which are not paid by check submitted herewith, and it is hereby requested that this be a petition for an automatic extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136.

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I hereby certify that this correspondence and/or documents referred to as attached therein and/or fee are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as "first class mail" in an envelope addressed to "Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450" on June 17, 2003.

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